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WDA invites public comments

The Wyoming Department of Agriculture announced two public working meetings to discuss changes to the Wyoming Weights and Measures Law and the Wyoming Petroleum Products Standards Law.

The Fifty-Ninth Wyoming Legislature approved an interim committee study of the Wyoming Weights and Measures law and the Petroleum Products standards law to determine what changes may be necessary to improve statutes to better serve the citizens and industry of the State. This interim study will be conducted through 2008. Any major legislation on the following laws will be introduced during the 2009 General Session.

Wyoming Weights and Measures Law

The Wyoming Department of Agriculture-Division of Technical Services is charged with the responsibility of implementing the Wyoming Weights and Measures Law WS 40 -10 -101 through 40 -10 -136.

Discussion will center on the entire W&M Law including clarifying the frequency and types of inspections and will include discussion on the role of registered service technicians in the inspection process.

Wyoming Petroleum Products standards Law

The Wyoming Department of Agriculture - Analytical Services Laboratory is charged with the responsibility of implementing the WS 40 -7 - 101 through 40 -7 -111. This law pertains to the standards of quality for petroleum products such as gasoline, diesel fuel, alcohol - gasoline blends, bio diesel, kerosene, fuel oil, antifreeze and LPG sold in Wyoming.

Discussion will center on all aspects of the law to insure newer biofuels are defined and covered and to hear ideas on the need, frequency and extent of fuel quality testing at retail and wholesale levels.

Two meetings will be held:

April 8: Rock Springs, 10 a.m., Western Wyoming Community College (2500 College Dr.), Room 1302

April 9: Casper, 10 a.m., Wyoming Game and Fish Department (3030 Energy Lane), Commission Room

Copies of the working drafts may be obtained by calling, writing, or visiting the Wyoming Department of Agriculture main office at 2219 Carey Ave. in Cheyenne. You may also view the working drafts of the proposed laws and agendas of future meetings by referencing the following web site: <http://agriculture.wy.gov>.

To submit written comments, or to request additional information, please contact:

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Participation will enable the Wyoming Department of Agriculture to initiate dialogue and bring the concerns of the affected citizens of Wyoming before the Joint Agriculture Committee.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, special assistance or alternate formats will be made available for individuals with disabilities upon request in advance of the meeting.

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